GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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Kidney Ailment
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government is aware of any report on global warming which causes kidney ailments;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the corrective steps taken by the Government to check/prevent such cases?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)
(a) & (b): Indian Council of Medical Research has not conducted any study regarding link between global warming and kidney ailments. However, as per information received from All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, there are some reports that global warming has some link with kidney diseases in specific circumstances. There is hypothesis that global warming is leading to an increase in heat extremes and coupled with increasing water shortage, provides a potential for a new era of environmental crisis and potentially new diseases.

(c): Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India has launched a programme named National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes Cardio-vascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) which help in reducing non-communicable diseases like Diabetes and Hypertension which are also a cause for chronic renal diseases and occurrence of renal failure. Apart from these, Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC) is also working to prepare health systems and residents against dangerous heat waves. The plan creates immediate and longer-term actions to increase preparedness, information-sharing and response coordination to reduce the health impacts of extreme heat on vulnerable populations.
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